



ALEXANDRIA.

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 15.

TWO RECENT cases that have occurred in Washington show that the courts of that city are in urgent need of reformation. One of the cases referred to is that of a woman whose almost every action proves her to be insane, who is squandering money, and incurring enormous expenses, and making unseemly exhibitions of herself, and who has once been confined in a lunatic asylum, and yet who is permitted to remain at large, because a jury, not of experts or of doctors, but picked up on the street, declare her sane. The other is that of a man who though so dangerously insane that he attempted to kill his keeper, whose whole family knew him to be insane, and who has been confined nearly all his life in insane asylums, is released on the verdict of the same kind of jury, and given permission to commit any further injury his deranged mind may suggest. The strangest part of this business is that judges, supposed to be intelligent men, permit ignorant, prejudiced or reckless juries to commit such outrages upon society.

THE REDUCTION of tolls from forty to thirty six cents a ton on coal from Cumberland to Georgetown, made yesterday by the directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, will not, it is feared, bring back to that canal the coal trade it has recently lost. A reduction of four cents a ton will put coal on the wharves at Georgetown at little if any less cost than that for which it can be carried by railroad to Baltimore. Twenty-five cents a ton would bring the lost trade back, and it was hoped that toll would have been established yesterday. The State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, which are benefited by the canal, should provide for any deficiency in its revenue that might be caused by a twenty five cent toll.

THE CABINET, it is reported, is giving much consideration to a project for buying Tortuga Island from Hayti, paying for it the amount due by the Haytian government to England, and thereby relieving Hayti from her obligations to Great Britain. Such a report is not favorable to the cabinet's reputation for wisdom; for nothing could be more foolish than for it to be wasting time on the consideration of any such unnecessary, troublesome and dangerous scheme. This government has all the territory it can well take care of, and if it perform that duty satisfactorily, no more will be asked of it by any of its wise and patriotic subjects.

THE HIGHEST court in the land having decided that a tender of the coupons of Virginia bonds is a legal payment of any debt due Virginia, any man owing such a debt has a perfect legal right to pay that debt with such coupons, and any collector who attempts to collect that debt by a levy renders himself and his sureties liable for heavy damages. The policy of paying Virginia debts with Virginia coupons has nothing to do with the moral and legal right to do so, which is indisputable.

THE FACT that nearly all the employees of a long line of railroad, many other people living along that line, and numerous dealers residing at its terminus and in the towns on the route, have for a long time been engaged in robbing its trains and dividing the plunder among themselves, is a sad imputation directly upon the honesty of the people of the section of country among whom these thieves reside, and indirectly upon those of the country.

## FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Correspondence of the Alex. Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15, 1887.

Senator Daniel, who came to the city a few days ago, returned to Lynchburg this morning. He appeared to be earnestly and conscientiously devoting his friends and constituents in and around the departments in matters presumably relating to appointments, promotions, etc. Senator Daniel is a good listener, a patient, polite and laborious representative. He is undoubtedly a very sympathetic and chivalric type of man, and never fails to give audience and attention to the humblest of his callers. From present appearances he will make a popular and useful Senator to his State, and it is due to him to say so. He revisits here next week.

Commodore Marshall Parks, of Norfolk, who was lately appointed to the important place of inspector of steamboats for the third district of the United States, was here to-day. He has given bond in the sum of ten thousand dollars and entered upon the duties of his office. His territory of travel and inspection extends from Maryland to Florida. The salary he receives is \$9,000. Mr. Barbour, through whose efforts this place was given to Virginia, showed both judgment and energy in his management of the matter. The President, it is said, however, was favorably inclined to the appointment from the first.

An Alexandrian in the city to-day said the labor party in this city would meet tonight to make nominations for the municipal election to be held there next month. A gentleman from Fairfax county, who heard him, remarked that he couldn't see any reason for a labor party in Virginia, as every body he knew had to work whether they wanted to or not, and as the capitalists of this generation were the laborers of the next, and vice versa. Continuing, he said, that while walking along a road in his county a short time ago he met an old man, driving a wagon loaded with wood, who took pains to give him the best part of the road. Shortly after he met a man driving a buggy, who almost ran over him. The former, he said, was before the war, and the owner of a hundred slaves; the latter had made his money on capital derived from the sale of pies to the army.

Ex-Congressman Townsend, of Ohio, says the course of Speaker Keifer, of his State, has pursued in the matter of the coming dedication of the Garfield statue has disgusted even the few friends Mr. Keifer has left. He has been informed, in every possible way, that the invitation he received to deliver an address upon the dedication referred to was unauthorized, and had been revoked by those who had sent it, but for all that he persists in his declaration that he has been invited to deliver the address, that he has accepted that invitation, and that he intends to fulfill his part of the programme. To shut him out entirely the committee of arrangements has had to alter the programme and leave no time for a dedicatory address. Mr. Townsend says the newspapers give a great deal more attention to Mr. Keifer than he deserves, and that they should let him severely alone.

The anti-coercion meeting last night at Masonic Temple was an imposing demonstration on behalf of the cause of Ireland. The managers, who were of course in a great degree Irishmen, adopted the plan of presenting as their chief orators for the occasion a large number of Americans not of Irish descent. Names such as those of Congressman Springer, Roscoe Conkling and Fitzhugh Lee, were well calculated to lend to the meeting a national and distinctly American character. Some surprise was occasioned by the speech of Judge Goelick, who never before having been heard of amongst the leading Irish orators and agitators of the day, astonished his audience by one of the most fervid and eloquent speeches of the night. He appeared to have pondered the subject, and the historical statement which he made was well supplemented by the rhetoric with which he adorned his speech. It was really a bit from a quarter not specially looked for in an outburst of native indignation over the affairs of the Emerald Isle.

Mr. Barbour, in a short talk with the GAZETTE's correspondent this morning, said he was glad to observe a perceptible change in the policy of the administration towards the party that elected it; that this change was not so apparent in the fact that more democrats were being appointed to office, as in the evident disposition to be more in accord with the general idea of the party, and to consult with the acknowledged leaders of the party, and to adopt their recommendations; and that he was induced to believe a better feeling would grow up between the administration and the dissatisfied portion of the party in consequence of this change. He said the change referred to was especially perceptible in the President and Secretary Lamar, and that Secretary Fairchild suited democrats even better than Mr. Manning.

A member of the Virginia legislature here to-day, in talking about the recent judgment awarded against ex-Auditor Allen, of his State, said Mr. Allen was in bad luck, as he would not only have to pay the full amount of that judgment, but that the legislature would, as soon as it reassembled, order the payment of the Kendall Bank Note Company's judgment against the State for \$30,000 and interest, and would then order suit to be brought against Allen and Dyson, the ex-secund auditor, for the recovery of that amount. It will be recollected that the contract for printing the Riddleberger bonds was first given to the Kendall Bank Note Company, but after most of the work had been completed, it was cancelled, and given to the American Bank Note Company, for the reason, as was said at the time, that the former company refused to make a large contribution to the Mahone election fund.

Since the arrest of several parties here for vagrancy and having no visible means of support, the loungers on the corners of the Avenue have perceptibly decreased in numbers. It is said that some of those liable to similar arrest cross the Long Bridge every morning and don't return to the city until night.

The Mr. Wedderburn who was recently appointed to office here under the civil service rules, is a son of Mr. George C. Wedderburn, formerly of Alexandria.

Mrs. F. G. Washington and Miss Lou Christian, both from Virginia, the former with a large family depending entirely upon her, and the latter an orphan, without other means of support, clerks in the Patent office, from the Eighth Virginia district, with democratic sympathies, were discharged to-day by the new commissioner of patents, Mr. Hall, of Iowa.

AN IMPOSTER.—A young Englishman, giving the name of Charles Poulter Nethererville Blake, was arrested in Washington yesterday on a dispatch from Chief of Police Irvin, of Lynchburg, Va., where he is wanted for forgery and embezzlement. He came to this country last February, and went immediately to "Woodbine Forest," Bedford county, Va., where there is a large colony of English people. He claims that his mother is a Mrs. Free, the wife of Colonel Free, of the Royal Horse Artillery, Edinburgh Terrace, Kensington Place, London West, England. He stole the check book of Mr. John Glenn, and forged his name to a check for \$500. On reaching Washington he took parlor at the Metropolitan Hotel, lived high, drank the best wines in the house, and also had entered into a contract with Mr. Wash Naylor to purchase his \$8,000 mare and \$1,000 trotting horse. He registered at the hotel under the name of C. P. Vanderbilt, and made Mr. Selden believe that he belonged to the English branch of the New York Vanderbilt family. Much attention was shown him at the hotel in consequence. The proprietor was overawed by the manners of the young man, and supplied him with the best wines, cigars and liquors in the house. When arrested Blake had not a cent in his pockets, and was in the act of pawnbroking some clothes. In his two valises were shirts, collars, cuffs and silk handkerchiefs enough to supply three men for a month. He will be held for the Virginia authorities.

COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY.—Chaffin against Lynch. From the Circuit Court of the city of Richmond. Reversed, Judge Lewis delivering opinion.

Robertson against Hoge. From the Circuit Court of county of Alexandria. Reversed, Judge Lacy delivering opinion.

Allen against Hoffmanger. From the Circuit Court of Goodland county. Reversed, Judge Fauntleroy delivering opinion.

Hatcher against Crews, administrator. From the Corporation Court of Danville. Reversed, Judge Hinton delivering opinion.

Trevelyan's administrator against Leff. From the Circuit Court of Amelia county. Affirmed, Judge Lewis delivering the opinion.

Washington City Savings Bank against Thornton and others. From the Circuit Court of the city of Alexandria. Affirmed, Judge Lewis delivering the opinion.

Whitehurst's executor against Whitehurst. From the Corporation Court of the city of Norfolk. Affirmed, Judge Lewis delivering the opinion.

Waller, &c., against the Commonwealth. Writ of error awarded to a judgment rendered by the County Court of Spotsylvania county on the 8th of March, 1887.

Richmond and Danville Railroad Company against Norment. Argued by Judge H. H. Marshall for plaintiff in error, and C. V. Meredith for defendant in error.

## Mr. Chamberlain on Coercion.

The language used by Mr. Chamberlain in speaking at meetings in Ayer has inflamed the Irish against him, and he has received numerous letters warning him that he will not leave Scotland alive. Speaking to an assemblage of 2,500 persons the other day Mr. Chamberlain said:

"The opponents of the crimes bill have made an outcry against the repression of liberty. Liberty to do what? To commit theft, to ruin industrious men, to outrage women? [Hisses mingled with cheers.] What are you hissing, the crime or the punishment?" Here a man, rising and menacing Chamberlain, cried: "It is not characteristic of the Irish to outrage women." An attempt was made to turn the man out, but Mr. Chamberlain cried out, "Leave him alone." Then he continued: "Do you want instances of insults being offered to women? [Cries of "Outrage, you said."] 'You slander the Irish.' I did not mean the grossest outrage of all, but personal violence and insults. [Hisses and cheers.] I referred to cases like that of the Curtis family, where the lives of the widow and children of the murdered man were made intolerable; like that of the widow of another murdered man, Byers, who, while accompanying the dead body of her husband, was jeered and hooted along the street. [Here the speaker was interrupted by cries of "Watch yourself," hisses, and general disorder.] I am relating facts to which even my opponents might listen in silence of horror and shame. When I refer to assassination a man here says, 'Take care of yourself.' Has the time come when we dare not discuss political matters in this country without being threatened with assassination? [Great cheering.] This is the spirit of the parties in the convention in Chicago. I am sorry to know that they have any representatives in Scotland. [Cries of "They are not Scotchmen."] That convention, besides being attended by delegates honestly in sympathy with Ireland, had delegates of a different stamp—apostles of outrage and murder. Mr. Redmond, the delegate of the Irish parliamentary party, explicitly declared before the convention that it was the aim of that party to effect the entire separation of Ireland from England, and that their policy was to make the government of Ireland by England impossible. This they seek to effect by the most immoral conspiracy ever devised in a civilized land, by contending for liberty to violate every law, human and divine. Do you think it infamous to restrain these men? [Cheers.] Mr. Parnell threatened in the House of Commons, under the specious guise of a warning, that if the coercion bill were passed there would be a renewal of outrages, dynamite explosions and attempts to assassinate our Statesmen. This grim suggestion may prove the death warrant of some of us. [Cries of "No," "Shame."] Well, what happens to individuals is not of much consequence. The danger is to the commonwealth. For the first time in English history our foes have sympathizers within our ancient fortress. Their plan of attack finds encouragement from those who ought to be the strongest defenders of our citadel. This makes our task more arduous. But we will not shrink; we will not abate one jot; we will not yield to threats, from whatever quarter they come, but we will endeavor to hand down unimpaired to our children the unity, strength and honor of the mighty empire our forefathers bequeathed us."

Mr. Chamberlain's speech excites all parties. The unionists consider it a declaration of war to the knife with the separatists. The Gladstonians charge Mr. Chamberlain with slandering and vilifying his former colleagues by the insinuation that they sympathize with the perpetrators of outrages in Ireland. It is asserted that during his tour through Scotland Mr. Chamberlain will be attended by a private guard.

## Letter from Rappahannock.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, VA., April 15.—The Old Folks' Concert panned out handsomely.

The curtain was drawn on a stage full of as pretty girls as ever "Cupid drew a bow on." Besides the talent of our town we had the pleasure of listening to several beautiful vocal solos and duets by Miss Nannie Green, of Culpeper, Miss Sarah Taylor, of Cincinnati, and Miss Kate Glass, of Winchester, as also some elegant instrumental solos and duets by Miss Sue Chelf, of Flint Hill, and Miss Lizzie Yates, daughter of Mr. James E. Yates, of the same place. Her principal piece was the "Battle of Manassas," which brought down the house, for it carried the thoughts of many an old Confederate to days long past but never to be forgotten. We noticed both nights Mr. James E. Yates, the cattle king of the Piedmont section of Virginia, better known among drovers as "Chief of the Mobbers." The entertainment netted the neat little sum of one hundred dollars, which speaks well for the esteem which our people have for the pastor of the R. E. Church, of this place. The proceeds are to be applied to painting and furnishing the said church.

I visited last week the orchard of Mr. Chas. B. Wood, near this place, which netted last season fifteen hundred dollars. One thousand barrels of fruit sent to Washington, D. C., netted one thousand dollars. He has now about 30 acres on the spur of the Blue Ridge. He is now setting out 1,500 more trees, and says in a few years he expects to be among the principal shippers to Europe, as it only costs \$1.18 per barrel to ship to Europe, while it costs 52 cents to Washington, D. C. A great many of our people are turning their attention that way, as they calculate (on an average) a tree at one dollar, 1,500 trees would yield a handsome revenue. But a number of his trees netted him seven dollars last season. All we want now is a railroad, for then our mountain slopes, which are now almost worthless, would be an unbroken orchard, as there is no land on earth better adapted for fruit. We only live 27 miles from the nearest depot, and it looks like old times to see the tattered wagons that plod their weary way to and fro, that take two days to make the trip. But that is much more preferable to a week that it used to take to haul to your town and Falmouth.

The unusual warm weather (thermometer at 50 degrees in the shade) has almost tempted me to change my "W" intergreen."

## KILLED BY HIS TEACHER.—

Yesterday afternoon George Werner, teacher of the suburban village school in the town of Wilkesburg, Wisconsin, punished a refractory pupil named Henry Zugbusch by applying a ruler sharply to his wrists, and the latter fell back in his seat unconscious. Supposing that the boy had fainted, he threw two pails of water over him, but the pupil was dead. The teacher died, and has not been seen since. The farmers of the community are looking for him and threaten to lynch him, as the boy's father claims that Werner choked him to death.

The Richmond papers again state that the question of removing the Richmond and Danville railroad offices from Washington to that city will be determined in a few days. It is generally believed that the determination will be to let them remain in Washington.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

It is proposed to use electricity for pointing and firing guns on United States naval vessels.

Forest fires are destroying timber, fencing and other property on the mountains in Garrett county, Md.

It is generally conceded that Col. Wesley Merritt will succeed Brig.-Gen. Wilcox, who is about to be retired.

There has been no rain in central Illinois for six weeks, and the temperature has averaged ninety degrees.

Twenty thousand California brook trout arrived at Hagerstown for distribution throughout that section of Maryland.

There were 72,000,000 gallons of distilled spirits, 22,000,000 gallons of wine, and 642,000,000 gallons of malt liquors drunk in the United States in 1886.

Alfred Torrance, a grandson of the late Commodore Vanderbilt, was killed while riding in a steeplechase at Croix de Berry, one of the environs of Paris, France.

A movement is on foot among the bondholders of the Florida Railway and Navigation Company to assess the stock for the purpose of taking up the receiver's certificates and paying the accrued interest.

The democratic Senatorial caucus at Tallahassee, Fla., took three ballots last night. On the first ballot the two leading candidates stood as follows: Bloxham 35, Perry 30; on the second ballot—Perry 38, Bloxham 32; on the third ballot—Bloxham 36, Perry 31.

The awards of contracts for supplying beef to the various Indian agencies was made by the Indian commissioners in St. Louis yesterday. The bids range from five to fifteen per cent. lower than last year, which will result in a saving of fully \$50,000 to the government.

The following condemned Government vessels, have been sold at auction at Great Rock, L. I.: Congress, \$7,800; Ohio, \$7,400; Worcester, \$5,500; Shawmut, \$2,059; Roanoke, \$9,350; Susquehanna, \$4,500; Savannah, \$5,650. The first five were bought by Gen. D. W. Richards and the others by Stannard & Culley, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Sarah E. Howe, of Boston, of women's bank fame, has absconded with \$50,000 of deposits of women. She has been receiving deposits from women ever since her release from prison on the charge of swindling. A woman from Augusta, Me., called at the house last evening to collect interest, but was told she had skipped and taken \$50,000 with her. A warrant for Mrs. Howe's arrest has been issued.

The new liquor law in Maine provides that the payment of a retail revenue tax by the accused shall be considered prima facie evidence of violation of the law. Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue Murphy has refused to testify as to the payment of the tax by a man on trial at Augusta, and has been committed for contempt. A writ of habeas corpus will be asked from the United States Court at Portland.

A large meeting was held in Baltimore last night to protest against the passage of the coercion measures now pending in the British Parliament. Speeches were made by Hon. Wm. Pinkney Whyte, Isidor Raynor, Gen. Bradley Johnson and others. The result of the meeting was called Gladstone and Parnell. A large meeting with the same object was also held in Masonic Temple, Washington. Gen. Rosecrans, ex-Senator Van Wyck and others spoke.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

A new Masonic lodge has been instituted at Cape Charles.

The steamer Essex has been withdrawn from the route between Fredericksburg and Norfolk.

Miss Nora, aged 16 years, daughter of Mr. Henry G. Chesley, of Stafford, died at her father's residence yesterday.

The practice ship Constellation, which was ashore at Craney Island flats, was gotten off yesterday, and proceeded to Portsmouth navy yard.

The general manager of the Rappahannock gold mine in Stafford county, left for New York last Tuesday with bullion valued at \$5,000, the product of the mine for one month.

On Wednesday the residence of Jas. Taylor, near Beach Grove church, Nansemond county, was destroyed by fire, together with its contents. It is believed that the house was set on fire by a negro man, who was seen prowling about the premises, and has not been seen or heard from since the fire.

In the City Circuit Court of Richmond yesterday in the case of the Commonwealth against John C. Gray, Treasurer of Washington county, and sureties, judgment was entered in favor of the Commonwealth for \$9,685.34, being the amount alleged to be due the Commonwealth for taxes collected by Treasurer Gray.

The Court of Appeals has rendered a decision in a damage suit growing out of a newspaper communication. The court in its opinion lays down the principle that when a man has been unjustly attacked in a newspaper he has the right to reply to the attack, provided he does so in good faith and for the protection of his character, his family or his business.

Gen. Hill, railroad commissioner, has investigated the charges made that the Newport News and Mississippi Valley Road had increased its charges for transporting cattle from Waynesboro' to Richmond from \$35 per car to \$110. The commissioner says that this is a mistake on the part of the Waynesboro' agents. He adds that the Newport News and Mississippi Valley Road had reduced the local rates 30 per cent.

Mr. Royall says that the agent of the foreign bondholders has made an arrangement by which retail liquor dealers who desire to pay their license tax in coupons will be furnished with the bonds with the coupons attached to be presented in the presence of the collecting officer, and thus avoid the slow litigation and annoyance incident to an attempt to verify them as required by law. The license tax is due May 1.

The Ridenour murder trial was continued in Winchester yesterday. Upon the general question as to whether expert testimony was admissible the court reversed the decision rendered on a former day of the trial. On a point reserved by Judge Clark a few days ago, covered by the Cluverius case, as to certain statements made by the deceased in regard to an appointment with Ridenour, it was decided in favor of the Commonwealth.

The second day's contest in the interstate cocking main, in Portsmouth yesterday resulted in a victory for the Washington sportsmen. Eleven battles were fought and Washington won nine, which gave the sportsmen from Washington the main and \$300 purse. The North Carolinians were overwhelmingly defeated, which is attributed to the superior quality and clever handling of the Washington birds. To day will be devoted to hack nights entirely.

To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

Is it exactly fair to speak of the civil service commission in connection with the appointment of young Mr. Pugh, in return for favors from his father? Civil service rules do not extend to the office he obtained; if they did, it is more than probable that some other competent young man, without influence, would have gotten the place. He evidently obtained it under "the spoils system."

FIDELITY.



## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

## Suicide on a Steamer.

NORFOLK, Va., April 15.—When the stateroom of the steamer "Virginia" from Baltimore to Norfolk occupied last night by Robert W. Gatewood was opened at nine o'clock this morning his body was found in bed with a pistol ball in his brain. Evidence before the coroner showed that he committed suicide after leaving Old Point this morning. Young Gatewood was a son of Robert Gatewood, of this city, and was 25 years of age. He was graduated from Annapolis with high honors as a cadet engineer, made one cruise and resigned. He studied and taught physics and electricity at Johns Hopkins University. At the time of his death he was fourth assistant examiner in the division of steam engineering of the Patent Office at Washington. His mind, which was uncommonly brilliant, had become unbalanced by intense study, and writings he left show that he imagined himself pursued by demons and chose death as the only means of escape from them.

## Murder.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Col., April 15.—A cold blooded murder for money was committed here yesterday morning. Benjamin Grait, a mine owner from Gunnison, has been here for several days. He spent money freely, and was known to have \$800 or \$700 with him. Tuesday night he was put to bed in the rear of Jim Goodwin's saloon. At 3 o'clock next morning his friends were horrified to find him dead in bed. His skull had been crushed in with some blunt instrument, his pockets were wrong side out and his money gone. Jim Goodwin, Billy Ryan, his bartender, and Fred Scott, the cook of the place, were arrested on suspicion. Grait was a young man, wealthy and very well liked, and it is feared here that his friends will avenge his death.

## A Phenomenal Storm.

MASON CITY, Iowa., April 15.—Yesterday afternoon the sun suddenly became obscured and thunder, accompanied by lightning and a light rain set in. Suddenly, after a deafening thunder clap, the sun burst through the clouds, and, while shining as brightly as before the storm, hail began to fall, continuing for a quarter of an hour, striking the ground with the force of bullets. The hail stones, which were the size of sparrow eggs, broke windows, and stamped teams upon the streets, and fell in such quantities that they had to be removed with shovels. So phenomenal or severe a hail storm in this section old residents do not remember. During the storm the barn of William Judd, south of the town, was struck by lightning and was burned with its contents.

## Wife Murder and Attempted Suicide.

CHICAGO, April 15.—Minnie Bertrand, aged twenty-one, was fatally shot last night on Throop street by her husband, Jos. Bertrand, aged twenty-two, a stove moulder. She died very soon, and he attempted suicide by shooting himself in the left breast. After being shot Mrs. Bertrand ran across the street with her nineteen months old child in her arms and fell to the sidewalk, at the same time calling for some one to take her baby. Just as she fell to the ground Bertrand, who had been coolly watching her, placed the muzzle of the revolver to his breast and pulled the trigger. He sunk to the ground, and was preparing to shoot again when the weapon was taken from him. He and his wife have lived very unhappily.

## Serenade-Fire.

AMSTERDAM, April 15.—Forty-five hundred students last night serenaded King William and the Royal family, who have remained here since the recent Royal birthday festivities. The King and Queen presented themselves at a window of the palace and acknowledged the tribute.

A hotel in the centre of the city which was crowded with guests who came here to join in the festivities in honor of the King's birthday caught fire last night and was entirely destroyed. Four of the inmates were killed and several sustained injuries of a more or less severe character.

## An Ultimatum.

CHICAGO, April 15.—At a meeting of the Master Carpenters' Association last night an ultimatum to the 8,000 striking journeymen was adopted in the form of resolutions. No new concessions were made and the refusal to treat with the men as a body was reiterated. The ultimatum was carried to the strikers' executive council by a committee of masters. It was not favorably received, and though action on it was deferred till to-day, the outlook is that both sides have very nearly decided upon a long and bitter fight.

## Death of Mr. Delano.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—James S. Delano, formerly of Galesburg, Ill., died last night from an attack of heart disease, at Mt. Pleasant, just outside of Washington. He was an old employee of the government, having entered the Treasury Department in 1862 and served there until the advent of the present administration.

## Denial.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—It is positively denied at both the State Department and the Navy Department that the commander of the Yantic forbid the English men-of-war in the harbor of Port au Prince to carry out their threat of seizing the island of Port-au-Prince in satisfaction of a British claim against Hayti.

## Arrested for Poisoning.

THEBOD, Ont., April 15.—Mrs. Martha Ryckman has been arrested here on the charge of poisoning Mrs. Hendricks, her sister-in-law. Mrs. Ryckman's daughter-in-law died recently in Virginia while visiting that State with Mrs. Ryckman. The latter is suspected also of having caused her death.

## Fatally Injured.

St. LOUIS, April 15.—It transpired late last night that at about half past one o'clock yesterday afternoon William Rednor went into Charles Kenner's beer garden, in the southwestern part of the city, and drank two glasses of beer, which he refused to pay for. An altercation ensued, during which Rednor is said to have made a threatening demonstration towards Kenner, whereupon the latter seized a stone match safe and struck him on the temple, knocking him down. In falling Rednor struck his other temple against an iron frame-work in the saloon and fractured his skull, inflicting a mortal wound. No arrests have been made. Kenner is a prominent and influential German and his garden is a popular resort.

## Death of Carl Schoene.

CHICAGO, April 15.—A special from Indianapolis, Ind., says: Carl Schoene, one of the oldest German comedians in the United States, died at Evansville yesterday. He retired from the stage in 1860 and settled at Evansville. During the war he was employed as a correspondent in the South by the New York Staats Zeitung. He was afterwards with Carl Schurz on the editorial staff of the Westliche Post at St. Louis. His brother is one of the most noted comedians of Europe, and is under engagement for life in the King's Theatre in Vienna.

## Defrauding the Hangman.

SCIBUX, Cal., April 15.—Michael Keefe, the wife murderer, who was to be hanged to-day, cut his throat with a pocket knife yesterday morning. He resisted the efforts of physicians to dress the wound, and died yesterday afternoon.

## Execution of a Wife Murderer.

St. LOUIS, April 15.—Daniel Jewell, the wife murderer, expiated his crime in the jail yard at 6:50 o'clock this morning, the execution being almost private. Jewell shot and killed his wife Dec. 31, 1884.

## REMOVING MR. LINCOLN'S REMAINS.—

A special from Springfield, Ill., says that the remains of President and Mrs. Lincoln were privately taken from their secret resting place yesterday morning and interred in the north vault of the Lincoln monument, in Oak Ridge Cemetery, near that city. Less than a dozen persons, members of the Lincoln Monument Association and Lincoln Guard of Honor, were present. For years the burial place of the remains has been kept a secret from anxiety lest they might be stolen to obtain a huge ransom for their return. When the lid of the casket was removed, the face was seen to be in a remarkable state of preservation. Those who stood around and had known Lincoln when alive easily recognized the features. The coffin containing Mrs. Lincoln's remains was brought to the vault and placed on the east side of her husband.

Yesterday was the twenty-second anniversary of Lincoln's assassination. Walt Whitman delivered a lecture in New York on the changes wrought by time on the country and its people since the killing.

We have received from Messrs. Belford, Clark & Co., of Chicago and New York, "How private Geo. W. Peck put down the rebellion, or the funny experiences of a raw recruit"—the reminiscences of a recruit in the late war who was too scared to fight and too frightened to run; a mirth provoking book, well calculated to drive off the blues. The volume is handsomely printed and bound, with numerous illustrations.

"Clifton," a farm of 490 acres, lying in Loudoun county, about 21 miles from Upperville, was sold on Monday for \$20,800 per acre, to Messrs. Joshua and Willie Fletcher. The Clifton mill site, adjoining the above, containing about 11 acres, was also sold to the same purchasers, for \$25.75 per acre.

It is said that Dr. Armstrong and his wife are receiving instructions from Father Kelley, of Atlanta, with a view to becoming Catholics. Their daughter, Mrs. Miriam, joined the Catholic church there last Sunday.

THE BREATH of a chronic catarrh patient is often so offensive that he cannot go into society, and he becomes an object of disgust. After a time, however, the breath becomes so offensive that he is frequently entirely deserted by his friends, and the source of discomfort is the dripping of the purulent secretions into the throat, sometimes producing inveterate bronchitis, which in turn has been the exciting cause of pulmonary disease. The brilliant results which have attended its use for years past by the best of the elite, Ely's Cream Balm as by far the best, if not the only real cure for hay fever, rose cold and catarrh.

By Green &amp; Wise, Auctioneers.

PURSUANT TO A DECREE OF THE CORPORATION COURT of the city of Alexandria, rendered on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1887, in the chancery suit of J. C. Southgate Yeaton et al. vs. A. M. Yeaton et al., the undersigned will sell at public auction in front of the Market House, on SATURDAY, the 21st day of May, A. D. 1887, the following real estate, viz:

No. 1.—Beginning at the intersection of Columbus and Pendleton streets, fronting on Pendleton street 123 feet 5 inches and running back 170 feet 7 inches; except a portion thereof, beginning on the east side of Columbus street, at the centre of the square, fronting 20 feet on Columbus street, with a depth of 110 feet.

No. 2.—AN UNDIVIDED ONE-HALF (1/2) INTEREST OF AN ACRE OR HALF-ACRE OF GROUND, bounded by Wythe, Pitt and Royal streets.

Terms of Sale: One third cash; the residue in three equal instalments, payable in six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, with interest, to be evidenced by the notes of the purchasers, with good security, title to be retained until the whole purchase price is paid.

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